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SUBJ: ANTITRUST: INVESTIGATION OF PRICE FIXING BY

LIEBHERR VERZAHNTECHNIK GMBH, ET AL.

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1. DR. STAHL, ECONMIN COMPETITION POLICY SECTION CHIEF, ADVISED OF REF GRAND JURY ACTION. AFTER CONSULTATION WITH HIS COUNTERPART IN FEDERAL CARTEL OFFICE, STAHL ADVISED EMBOFF THAT THERE WOULD BE NO OFFICIAL FRG COMMENT AT THIS TIME, AND REQUESTED THAT THIS FACT BE RELAYED TO JUSTICE.

2. COMMENT: FRG AUTHORITIES RELUCTANT GO ON RECORD ONE WAY OR ANOTHER ON SUCH CASES PENDING CONCLUSION OF AGREEMENT GOVERNING ANTI-TRUST COOPERATION. STAHL ADMITTED PRIVATELY THAT HE WAS CERTAIN THERE WOULD BE NO FRG OBJECTIONS TO GRAND JURY ACTION, AND THAT COOPERATION FROM FRG AUTHORITIES COULD BE EXPECTED. NEVERTHELESS, HE COULD NOT MAKE FORMAL COMMENT EITHER WAY BECAUSE SUCH ACTION HE FELT WOULD PUT FRG IN INDEFENSIBLE POSITION VIS-A-VIS CONCERNED GERMAN INDUSTRIES.

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